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Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING.

Hosston Formation, Reservoir A, KINGSTON FIELD, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

EL PASO PRODUCTION COMPANY ("Applicant") hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Hosston Formation, Reservoir A, in the Kingston Field, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana:

- 1. To authorize Applicant to drill, designate and utilize its F. S. Moran 22 No. 1 Well as an alternate unit well for HOSS RA SUR at the location shown on the attached plat, or at any other location within the unit that would comply with the well location provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 376-B, effective May 2, 1978.
- 2. To find that the proposed alternate unit well is necessary to efficiently and economically drain a portion of the Hosston Formation, Reservoir A, underlying HOSS RA SUR which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing well on this unit.
- 3. To permit the Operator to produce the allowable assigned to HOSS RA SUR, from either the unit well, the alternate unit well, or from a combination of such wells, at the option of the Operator.
- 4. To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

The Hosston Formation, Reservoir A, in the Kingston Field, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 376-B, effective May 2, 1978.

Pertinent data concerning this application is available for inspection at the offices of Louis Gilbert & Associates, Inc., 3636 North Causeway Boulevard, Suite 204, Metairie, Louisiana 70002-7216. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Louis Gilbert at (504) 834-8112 during normal business hours in order

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to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data which is not otherwise available from the Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

As provided by the Revised Rules of Procedure, the subject matter of this application does not require the issuance of a pre-application notice; therefore, no such notice has been issued.

Pursuant to the aforesaid Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom notice of this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. A copy of this letter and of the attached plat is being sent to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation and to the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties as shown on the attached list.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing and the enclosed plat at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Kingston Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, Applicant will mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

Finally, enclosed herewith is our check payable to the Office of Conservation covering the application fee.

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David L. Smelley
Attorney for El Paso Production Company

DLS:dp Enclosures

cc: Mr. Jim Broussard (w/encls.)

Mr. Mark Terrell (w/encls.)

Mr. Gary Griffith (w/encls.)

Ms. Joyce Watts (w/encls.)

Mr. Louis Gilbert (w/encls.)

Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties (w/copy of plat only)

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